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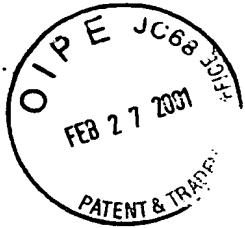
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: ALDERSON et al.

Application Serial No.: 09/499,468

Filed: February 7, 2000

For: Vascular Endothelial Growth
Factor-2



Group Art Unit: 1633

Examiner: Sorbello, E.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Communication and Notice to Comply mailed August 31, 2000 for five (5) months from September 30, 2000, to and including February 28, 2001.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$1,890.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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